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MAJOR LONDON NEWSPAPERS TODAY GIVE FRONT PAGE COVERAGE, WITH LITTLE COMMENT, TO AUG 6 ABM VOTE IN SENATE. RICHARD SCOTT IN GUARDIAN CALLS IT "HAIR BREADTH ABM VICTORY FOR NIXON"; WALTER TERRY OF DAILY MAIL SAYS "NIXON JUST SAVES MISSILEPLAN." ALL PAPERS NOTE CLOSENESS OF THE VOTE, THE SIGNIFICANT SIZE OF THE ABM OPPOSITION IN THE SENATE AND THEIR FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHALLENGING FURTHER ABM EXPENDITURES BEFORE THE POINT OF ACTUAL DEPLOYMENT OF SAFEGUARD. TIMES, GUARDIAN AND DAILY MAIL CORRESPONDENTS IN ARTICLES THAT APPEAR TO BE WRITTEN FROM SINGLE SCRIPT, ALL SUGGEST THAT US DEFENSE EXPENDITURES WILL HEREAFTER RECEIVE FAR MORE SCRUTINY IN CONGRESS THAN HAS BEEN THE CASE IN RECENT YEARS. ALL SEE, SOMEWHAT BELATEDLY, AN END OF AN ERA. ANNENBERG

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